

Wastewater

- Thank you for your recent letter on Clean Water Act permits for Great Bay municipalities.
- As you know, the leaders of EPA's Office of Water and of our New England regional office met with a group of communities last Tuesday. Bob Scott [DES Commissioner] participated in that meeting, along with Mac Zelle from your office. I understand that discussion was productive and that the group agreed to follow-up discussions to make sure we are all sharing the latest scientific information about Great Bay.

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- At the meeting, the City of Portsmouth informed EPA of a possible development opportunity at the Pease International Tradeport which may require an increase in permitted discharges. EPA is ready to work with Portsmouth to identify and resolve any permitting issues.
- We will continue to closely coordinate with NH DES on these issues. We really value DES's engagement and we believe it's important that we continue to work together on these permits.

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